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Response to Amendment

1.   The amendment filed on 12/12/2008 will not be entered because the amendment

to claim 16 raises new issues.

Response to Arguments

2.   Applicant's arguments concerning the 35 USC 112 first paragraph rejection of

claim 17 filed 12/12/2008 have been fully considered but they are not persuasive

because applicant failed to point to any location in the original filed specification or

claims that supports claim 17 as applicants <u>originally filed invention</u>.

Applicants originally filed specification at page 17 lines 16-18 states:

It will be appreciated from the above that the invention may be
implemented as computer software, which may be supplied on a storage
medium or via a transmission medium such as a network or the internet.

Applicants originally filed claims 1 and 12-15 states:

1.   A video processing method for preparing an anti-aliased foreground
image for display over an image background, said method comprising the
steps of:
        (i) preparing said image background for display;
        (ii) generating an original foreground image by manipulation of a
contiguous group of graphics primitives;
        (iii) applying anti-aliasing filtering to edges of each primitive of said
group of primitives to generate a primitive-processed image;
        (iv) superposing said primitive-processed image over said image
background; and
        (v) superposing said original foreground image over said primitive-
processed image.
12.   Computer software having program code for carrying out a method
according to claim 1.
13.   A providing medium to provide for providing software according to
claim 12.
14.   A medium according to claim 13, said medium being a transmission
medium.

15.   A medium according to claim 13, said medium being a storage medium.

Currently pending claim 17 claims in the preamble:

Claim 17 (Previously Presented): A computer readable storage medium including a processing program stored thereon, to cause a computer to perform a process of preparing an anti-aliased foreground image for display over an image background in order to provide anti-aliasing in a video effects system when the processing program is executed on the computer, the process comprising:

Additionally as discussed in the final rejection the unclear nature of page 17 lines 16-18 and use of graphics synthesiser 200 coupled to vector unit 108 coupled to a computer (emotion engine l00's CPU core 102) to perform the process illustrated in figures 9A-9C and 10 and described in the specification at page 14 line 14 to page 17 line 15 does not convey the claimed computer readable medium is executed on both the emotion engine l00's CPU core 102 and graphics synthesiser 200 coupled to vector unit 108 to perform the claimed method.

Thus, the specification and claims _abstractly_ described the invention may be implemented in software but did not specify the software and did not specify who or what machine or machines performed the method, did not describe executing the software on a computer as now claimed in the preamble of claim 17, and did not describe the method now claimed in the body of claim 17 as being implemented by software. Therefore, applicants specification fails to support applicants claim 17.

Conclusion

3.   Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the

examiner should be directed to Jeffery A. Brier whose telephone number is (571) 272-

7656. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F from 7:30 to 4:00. If attempts to

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